

# SANTA CLARA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT CLIMATE CHANGE PLAN

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Climate Action Team-Public Health Workgroup

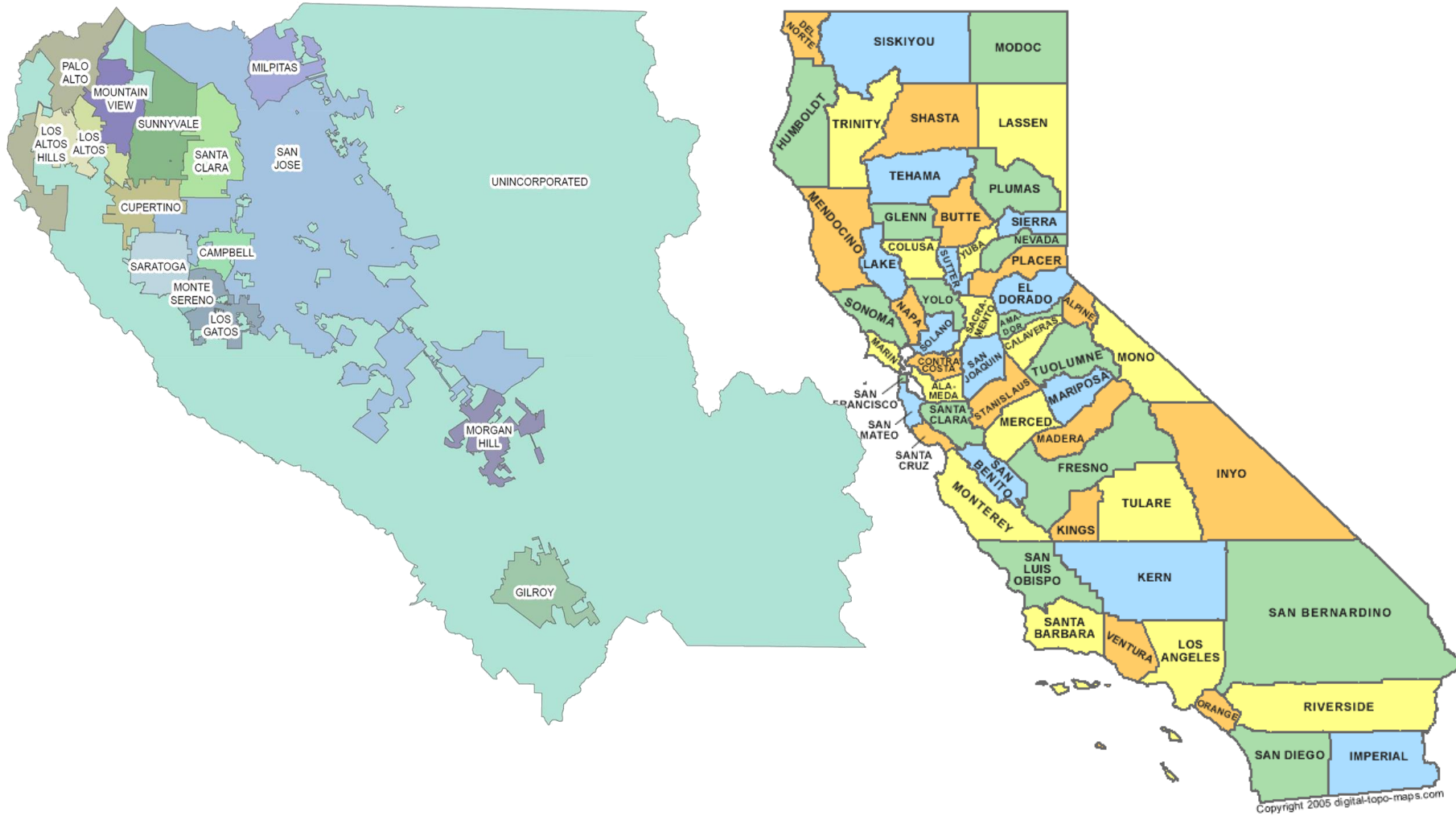


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# Previous SCC-PHD Climate Change Efforts

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- SCC Climate Action Team and Transportation Committee (commute survey; plan completed 2009)
- Presentation at Planning for Climate Change Workshop (2008)
- BARHII Built Environment Committee
- Inclusion in PHD 2012-2015 Strategic Plan
  - Goal 3: “Establish a Departmental focus on environmental health issues related to climate change and sustainability.”

# Climate Change Planning Process

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- Baseline knowledge for planning
- SCC PHD planning framework, scope & focus
- SCC PHD implementation and resource recommendations

# Draft Climate Change Action Plan

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- Goal 1: Develop public health department knowledge, expertise and resources to address the health impacts of climate change
- Goal 2: Inform larger community and public health partners about the health effects of climate change and actions that can be taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Goal 3: Establish assessment, surveillance, investigation, and monitoring activities to inform climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts

# Draft Climate Action Plan

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- Goal 4: Partner with county agencies and local jurisdictions on local planning, transportation, housing, water, and energy policies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support the design of healthy sustainable, resilient communities.
- Goal 5: Integrate climate change strategies into Public Health Department health plans
- Goal 6: Build climate change mitigation efforts into PHD operations

# Silicon Valley 2.0

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- Regional effort funded by Strategic Growth Council and managed by Santa Clara County Office of Sustainability
  - Evaluate exposure of community assets
  - Examine potential consequences to economy, society and environment of this exposure
  - Develop preemptive strategies that improve community resilience



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